Allegations against former Minister of Education

1374. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:
SHRI RAM AWAHESH SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards a news-item which appeared in the Navbharat Times of the 21st December, 1989 under the caption 'Purva Shiksha Mantri Par Dhandli Ka Aarop' regarding irregularities in admission under special dispensation quota, transfer of *teacher violating guidelines* and appointments of teachers violating recruitment rules; and

(b) what are the details thereof and the present stage of investigations in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The Government is aware of the news-items which appeared in the Nav-Bharat Times of the 21st December 1989 under the caption 'Purva Shiksha Mantri Par Dhandli Ka Aarop'. Alleged irregularities are:

(i) Admissions on Special Dispensation, (ii) Transfer of teachers in violation of transfer guidelines, (iii) violation of guidelines for the promotional posting of teachers, (iv) Changes in the Recruitment Rules for teachers and (v) Changes in the Panel of Principal.

The Details are given below:

1. *ADMISSIONS ON SPECIAL DISPENSATION*:

Chairman ordered these admissions under special dispensation, at his discretion on the basis of broad social consideration and extreme compassionate grounds etc.

2. *TRANSFER OF TEACHERS IN VIOLATION OF TRANSFER GUIDELINES*:

According to the operational guidelines, transfer on compassionate grounds and compelling administrative exigencies are to be accorded first priority. The teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas had been meeting the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and apprising him of their difficulties. The transfer of 181 teachers involving compassionate grounds and administrative exigencies was ordered under the specific directions of the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. Before, Chairman, KVS issued his final direction for these transfers, the full implications of the proposal were presented to him.

The Chairman, after duly examning the implications, gave directions for the above transfers.

3. *VIOLATION OF GUIDELINES FOR THE PROMOTION POSTING OF TEACHERS*

The transfer guidelines *inter-alia*, provide that normal transfers will be made after transferring promotees first every year. This policy has been followed this year also except in cases involving promotion of Trained Graduate Teachers as Post Graduate Teachers, promotional transfers could not be effected before normal transfer of Post Graduate Teachers on account of a writ petition filed in Madras High Court wherein Physical Education Teachers (PETs) have prayed that they may also be made feader category for promotion to the posts of PGTs as is done for TGTs. In the light of legal opinion the KVS has moved a petition before the Madras High Court and sought permission for promotion of suitable TGTs as PGTs. The decision of the Madras High Court is awaited. Therefore, before the

promotional postings of TGTs as PGTs were effected transfers of PGTs were made with the approval of the then Chairman, KVS.

4. *CHANGES IN THE RECRUITMENT RULES FOR TEACHERS*

The Board of Governors of the KVS at its 46th meeting held on 3.12.85, delegated powers to the Chairman of the Sangathan to approve recruitment rules for all categories of posts. Such recruitment rules are required to be placed before the Board for their adoption.

During 1989, changes were made in the recruitment rules for the posts of TGTs and PGTs as approved by the then Chairman of the Sangathan. The details of these changes are as under:

POST OF TRAINED GRADUATE TEACHERS:

"For those candidates who have obtained 60 per cent and above in the aggregate in B.A./B.Sc. or equivalent examination and 65 per cent or above in Science subjects; 60 per cent or above in Arts or 55 per cent or above in Commerce in Master's degree examination, essential qualification of degree/diploma in teaching shall be relaxed for a limited period. Such candidates, if selected, will be placed on trial initially for a period of three years. No further extension will be granted. This may be followed from the current recruitment session (1989-90)".

POST OF POST GRADUATE TEACHERS:

"If an candidate has had at least 60 per cent marks at Graduation level and atleast 70 per cent marks at Post Graduate level (for Science stream) or atleast 65 per cent marks (for Arts stream or atleast 60 per cent marks (for Commerce and English stream), the requirement of degree/diploma in teaching shall be relaxed with the condition that such requisit qualification will be acquired within 3 years. This may be followed from the recruitment session 1990-91 onwards since Post Graduate Teachers interviews had already been started and partially completed. These are proposed to be placed before the Board of Governors at its next meeting.

5. *SELECTION FOR THE POST OF PRINCIPAL*:

The interviews for the post of Principal in Kendria Vidyalaya Sangathan were held in December, 1988 and January, 1989, the the selections were made by a duly constituted committee and a panel of 115 candidates was prepared. No change in the above panel prepared by the Committee was made thereafter.

पुस्तक प्रकाशन उद्योग में वित्तीय संकट

1375. **सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :**
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** 8 मई 1990 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 119 के दिये गये उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पुस्तक प्रकाशन उद्योग की स्थिति आर्थिक संकट के कारण निरन्तर खराब होती जा रही है;

(ख) क्या पुस्तक प्रकाशन उद्योग ने इस संबंध में अपनी कठिनाइयों को दूर करने के लिए सरकार को कोई ज्ञापन दिया है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और इस संबंध में अब तक कोई ठोस कार्यवाही न किए जाने के क्या कारण हैं?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री चिमन भाई मेहता) : (क) जी नहीं । इस बात को सिद्ध करने का कोई संकेत नहीं है कि पुस्तक प्रकाशन उद्योग की स्थिति वित्तीय कमी के कारण लगातार गिर रही है ।

(ख) जी, हां ।